

## **Abstract**

The diploma thesis summarizes the current legislation regarding beekeeping in the Czech Republic. The thesis aims to provide the reader with a comprehensive overview of the legal regulations of beekeeping. The thesis itself is divided into two chapters. The former chapter describes the beekeeping legislation from the point of view of the private law and the latter from the point of view of the public law.

The centerpiece law regarding the first chapter is the Civil Code. The Civil Code contains the adjustment of nuisance, neighbourly relations, swarm legislation and damages. From the public law standards, beekeeping is affected by the Law on Veterinary Care, the Phytosanitary Care Act, the Breeding Act, the Food Law, the Income Tax Act, the Law on Damages from Specially Protected Animals, and many others. The Veterinary Care Act, together with the implementing legislation, sets out procedures for combating honeybee diseases and the conditions for traveling with bees. The Phytosanitary Act contains provisions under which bees are protected from the effects of the use of substances viewed as threatening to them. The Food Act and subsequent decrees contain a definition of honey. The breeding law sets the rules for the record keeping of bee colonies. The Income Tax Act exempts beekeepers who have fewer than 60 bee colonies from paying taxes on the honey sold.

In the beekeeping sector, the control and supervision of compliance is exercised by the Regional Veterinary Administration, the Central Control and Testing Institute of Agriculture and the Ministry of Agriculture.

The greatest benefit of my thesis lies in the description of beekeeping law in one comprehensive text, as current legislation is contained in many legal regulations.